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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

PAUL M. ENQUIST :

SERIAL NO: NEW DIVISIONAL APPL. :

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INTRINSIC PROCESS AND DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-39 without prejudice.

REMARKS

Favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested. This application is a divisional of prior application 09/311,149, which has been allowed. Claims 40-51 are now present in this application, claims 1-39 being canceled.

An Information Disclosure Statement has been filed to make of record the prior art cited in the parent application, as well as application Serial No. 09/165/203, the parent of 09/311,149. The examiner is requested to review the files of these two prior applications.

Examination on the merits of claims 40-51 is in order, and an early and favorable decision is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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